



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards to the april 13, 2015 compliance check of your Level B, Registered Child Development Home. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of my visit:

☐ 110.5(1)f Combustible materials are kept away from furnaces, stoves, gas dryers, or water heaters.

***There are paint cans and several other items around the furnace and water heater areas that need moved right away. This should be done within the next day or two. Please be sure to clear a space of at least 2 feet surrounding these devices to help prevent a fire hazard.***

☐ 110.5(1)h A safe outdoor play area is maintained in good condition throughout the year.

☐ 110.5(1)h Is kept free from litter, rubbish and flammable materials.

***Please be sure to do a sweep of your yard and make sure all the trash that has blown in the yard is removed so the children cannot get a hold of it. Items such as pop cans and other such objects could present a risk for the children to cut themselves on.***

☐ 110.5(8) Children's Files

☐ 110.5(8) An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes. Each file contains:

☐ 110.5(8)e For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

***Please be sure to request this from parents. You can provide them with the form on page 4 of the packet of forms provided to you at the time of your spot check. Children JS and PG are in need.***

☐ 110.5(8)g A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health.

***Request from parent. Child JS needs.***

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. **Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations within the next 45 days.**

☐ Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home. This visit will occur after the 45 day time period has elapsed.

x ☐ Based on the items out of compliance listed above, a recheck or follow up visit to your home is **NOT** necessary. However, it is essential you provide documentation to the Department that certifies you have corrected each of the identified regulatory violations and are now in complete compliance with all Departmental regulatory mandates. **Please check mark each of the boxes listed above when the necessary corrections have been completed. By doing so, you certify that you have completed all of the mandated regulatory requirements contained within each identified section.**

**I certify that I have taken all of the steps necessary to correct each of the identified violations noted above and am now in complete compliance with all of the Departmental mandated regulatory rules.**

**Please sign and date below, and return this form in the provided envelope by: May 29, 2015.**

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 515-993-1742 or [mcrawfo@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:mcrawfo@dhs.state.ia.us) if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

*Melissa Crawford*  
Melissa Crawford

Social Worker II

*C. Mark Chappelle*

Social Work Supervisor

Always Remember:

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at 1-800-722-7619.

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you need to use only DHS approved training and only 12 hours can be by self-study. You can access the approved training by going to [http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child\\_Care/Professional\\_Development.html](http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html) and you can sign up for training at <https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/>

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).